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WATCH FOR GRANT INFORMATION

Keep an eye on our Web site for recycling grant application and guidance information. We expect to post all the pertinent details in January at www.recycle.ky.gov.

RECYCLING AWARDS

The American Forest and Paper Association is accepting applications for its 2007 recycling awards. Applications include categories for individuals, businesses, communities and schools. Successful recycling programs that include paper are encouraged to apply. For more information and the entry form, visit www.paperrecycles.org and look under the recycling link. Entries are due by Feb. 16, 2007, and winners will be announced at the end of March.

THE ECONOMICS OF RECYCLING

According to the National Recycling Economic Information (REI) Study commissioned by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, “especially significant is the finding that recycling far outpaces the waste management industry because recycling adds value to materials, contributing to a growing labor force. Recycling also provides a large number of jobs that generally pay above the average national wage.”

South Carolina recently released a report on the recycling industry’s role in that state’s economy. In 2005, the recycling industry in South Carolina:

- Directly and indirectly supported 37,440 jobs resulting in \$1.5 billion in personal income
- Produced \$69 million in state tax revenue
- Generated a total economic impact of \$6.5 billion

Georgia conducted a statewide waste characterization study in 2003-2004 and found that 36 percent of municipal solid waste disposed of in Georgia is composed of the most commonly recyclable materials that could have been used in manufacturing new products. This includes more than:

- 1.8 million tons of recyclable paper products
- 160,000 tons of recyclable plastic bottles
- 220,000 tons of recyclable glass
- 360 tons of recyclable metals

The study also demonstrated that the recycling market infrastructure in Georgia makes it one of the most prominent recycling states in the nation. One-third of all polyethylene terephthalate (PET) plastic, including beverage containers, recovered in North America is used by Georgia’s carpet industry. Mohawk Industries, in Summerville, Ga., is one of the largest end-users of PET in the nation. It is also the second largest pulp and paper producing state with 15 paper mills using recycled paper in their production. Nine rely completely on recycled content for their operations.

Visit the Division of Waste Management Web Site at <http://www.waste.ky.gov>

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Prices are based on trailer load lots paid by end-users. This guide is for reference only and does not represent an obligation by any buyer to pay these amounts.

Prices vary according to location, condition of product and other factors. Prices for handlers and processors will be different from these prices which are quoted for manufacturers. Prices fluctuate daily or weekly, and are based on the second week of the month, unless otherwise noted, and may change.

Paper	\$ per ton		<u>Previous month</u>	<u>Previous Year</u>
Mixed Paper	45-50	<i>Board and Mill purchase prices, baled, FOB seller's dock. From Dec. 2, Official Board Markets Yellow Sheet, Chicago market.</i>	45-50	35-40
Sorted Office	115-125		115-125	85-95
Newsprint #6	45-50		45-50	45-50
Newsprint #8	80-85		80-85	65-70
Sorted White Ledger	195-205		195-205	180-190
Corrugated Containers	55-60		55-60	40-45
Plastics	<u>Cents per lb.</u>	<i>From market sources serving Kentucky, contacted Dec. 11. Baled, FOB seller's dock. Priced as loads available.</i>		
Polyethylene Terephthalate (PET-soda bottles)	11	clear and green (mixed)	10	15
High Density Polyethylene (HDPE-milk jugs) #2	25	natural	28	39
Glass	<u>\$ per ton</u>			
Clear	29	<i>From Dec. 1, Recycling Manager, national average for truckload quantities, semi-crushed and cleaned, delivered to end-user.</i>	29	29
Amber	17		17	17
Green	8		8	9
Metals	<u>Cents per lb.</u>	<i>Aluminum from market sources serving Kentucky, contacted Dec. 11.</i>		
Aluminum Cans	90	densified, baled truckload, picked up	89	76
	<u>\$ per gross ton</u>			
Steel Cans	195	<i>Steel from American Metal Market, Dec. 11, 2006. Delivered mill price; Chicago market quoted.</i> Clean, used densified cans	190	230